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S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

KOREAN INTELLECTUALS' VIEW OF U.S.

Seoul KYONGHYANG SINMUN in English 26 April 1986

[Text]

The absolute majority of Korean people have pro-American sentiments. The attitudes of Korean elite groups and intellectuals toward the U.S. is not necessarily always affectionate, but generally so. Temporarily, there is an increase of critical feeling.

In their attitude toward the U.S., Korea's elite and intellectual groups may be classified into the following four types: the first group consists of people who always support the U.S. and think that announcements of the U.S.-government and the American press is always right. These are the people who believe that the destiny of Korea is in the hands of the U.S. They may be those who have received, or are receiving, benefits from the U.S., privately or publicly.

A considerable segment of this group consists of people who support and defend the U.S. as if they were taking out an insurance policy. They are the men who believe that if and when an incident like the Vietnam debacle occurs in Korea, the evacuating American army helicopters might at least give them a lift.

Second, there is a group of people who always dislike the U.S. no matter what the U.S. does for Korea. They believe that the U.S. was the cause of all kinds of tragedies suffered by our nation, including the division of our land. They never vary their opposition to the U.S., regardless of overtures by the U.S. Embassy. They are people with many backgrounds, or have connections with various radical ideologies.

Third, the moderate nationalist force may be counted as another group. Usually, they are pro-American, but become critical when the U.S. interferes in internal affairs of Korea or takes selfish actions against Korea. They are well aware of the fact that the U.S. has provided important assistance to Korea for national security and lots of help for elevating Korea's international position. At the same time, they think that the ties of Korean-American cooperation do not profit Korea alone, but are to the advantage of the U.S., as well.

Therefore, when the U.S. government or the American press thinks that Korean-American cooperation exists purely for the interests of Korea, and when the U.S. tries to behave as "a big brother" in regard to internal affairs of Korea, they develop critical feelings because of their national pride.

Fourth is the radical democratic force. The term "radical" here means the extreme nationalist way of thinking, which at times shows a radical tendency. Ordinarily, they assume an anti-American attitude, but take a pro-American posture when the U.S. government and people interfere in internal affairs of Korea.

If the U.S. government and people wish to keep Korea's elite and intellectual groups friendly toward the U.S., they should consider these groups.

The political condition in Korea has turned very delicate, recently. The U.S. government, Congress and media have made various remarks and taken several actions on Korea. We believe that the time has come for the U.S. to reflect on whether such remarks and actions promote a good impression of the U.S. among the moderate, nationalist forces of Korea, who make up the lion's share of the elite and intellectual groups, for more positive evolution of the Korea-U.S. relationship.

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S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

PARTIES URGED TO SAFEGUARD PEOPLE'S BASIC RIGHTS

SK170017 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 17 May 86 p 4

[Editorial: "Task for Constitutional Change"]

[Text] The government and the ruling Democratic Justice Party are bracing themselves up in preparations for discussing the issue of constitutional amendment, apparently to preempt the major opposition New Korea Democratic Party which has thus far strenuously campaigned for the rewriting of the basic law to restore direct presidential election.

The government announced the formation of a 40-member presidential committee to conduct research of constitutional systems Thursday. At the same time, the ruling party held the inaugural meeting of its own constitution committee with a bid to submit its version for constitutional revision to the National Assembly's regular session due to open in September.

With these moves, the government camp has made clear its posture to realize a constitutional amendment as early as possible, during the tenure of the incumbent president, thereby removing a major obstacle in the pursuit of agreement with the opposition camp over the timing of changing the basic law.

There is only about one and half years left to amend the constitution before President Chon Tu-hwan's 7-year term expires in February 1988.

Accordingly, the overriding and most urgent task for the rival political forces to seek constitutional revision and break through the protracted political impasse is to sit down at the conference table for a candid dialogue in seeking a "grand compromise" over the knotty constitutional problem.

The debate on the constitutional change is expected to be focused on the form of government and its power structure and thus the means for electing the nation's future presidents -- by direct popular voting or indirect voting.

But then, there is another crucial question concerning democratization: That is, the formula of guaranteeing the people's basic rights including freedom of speech, press and association.

Noteworthy in this regard was a recent statement by Stephen Carninal Kim Su-hwan, who noted that the guaranteeing of free press and speech is more important than constitutional change in the realization of democracy.

To this end, in the course of rewriting the Constitution, due efforts should also be made to safeguard and enhance those basic rights of the people by devising appropriate provisions in the basic law.

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S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

DJP OFFICIAL DISCUSSES LIBERALIZATION, DEMOCRATIZATION

OW140939 Tokyo KYODO in English 0900 GMT 14 May 86

[Text] Tokyo, 14 May KYODO -- A high official of South Korea's ruling party said here Wednesday political stability is a prerequisite for continuing liberalization and democratization of his country.

Yi Chong-yul, deputy chairman of the Democratic Justice Party's policy committee, made the comment while giving a speech on political developments in South Korea at the Foreign Correspondents' Club of Japan in Tokyo.

Giving his view of the current political situation in South Korea, Yi noted liberalization trends taking place in the country, and enumerated the major tasks his party plans to accomplish.

Yi sees the current political situation in South Korea as being in a state of "dynamic stability," since, in his words, "elements of change and growth have been gradually accommodated."

He went on to say that "the trend of liberalization is now under way in almost every realm of Korean society," and pointed out that restrictions placed on the people by the government of assassinated President Pak Chong-hui -- such as a midnight curfew, restrictions on overseas travel, and a police presence on college campuses -- have been removed.

Looking to the future, Yi said "the next few years will be another period of great transition," and reiterated the South Korean Government's viewpoint that three difficult tasks have to be accomplished -- the peaceful transfer of power in 1988, the successful completion of the 1988 Seoul Olympics, and continued economic growth and stability.

During the question and answer period, Yi defended South Korea's current indirect presidential election system by pointing out that during the years when there were direct presidential elections, the government party consistently won them, and the losing candidates, including leading dissident Kim Tae-chung, refused to accept the results.

However, he said President Chon Tu-hwan has told the leaders of the three major parties he would not be opposed to a revision of South Korea's constitution, "if the government and opposition parties reach an agreement on the issue at the national assembly."

On the subject of anti-American student radicalism, Yi revealed for the first time that the student radicals who occupied his party's headquarters wrote many anti-American slogans on the walls of the building.

However, Yi said he does not see student radicalism as a threat, since he believes their behavior will eventually isolate them from the rest of Korean society.

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S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

IMPORTANCE OF FREEDOM OF PRESS EMPHASIZED

SK180200 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 18 May 86 p 4

[Editorial: "Flow of Information"]

[Text] One lively topic in our community these days is related to the vital need for a free flow of information or freedom of the press in conjunction with the mounting concern about the nation's democratization.

Since last month, there has been a lingering question over what was alleged a "biased and unfair" news presentation by the state-run Korean Broadcasting System, highlighting sporadic yet persistent civic moves against paying subscription fees to the nationwide television network -- a situation that promoted the government and the ruling party to be engaged in mapping out remedial steps.

In this connection, the opposition party recently came up with a position paper on the restoration of freedom of the press, calling for, among other points, the repeal of the existing basic press law, the revival of private-run broadcasting stations and the stationing of news correspondents of daily newspapers at provincial areas, which has been banned for the past 5 years or so.

Then, a prominent religious leader made a resounding statement last week underscoring the crucial role of the basic press, which he said is more important than constitutional amendment itself in pursuit of democratization and is a prerequisite to other civil liberties, including freedom of religion.

His remarks were essentially referring to the widely known fundamentals of democracy. Yet, the statement has given rise to a renewed debate -- this time, more or less in public -- on the need for a free press, reflecting our realities which are undeniably short of fully meeting the constitutional provision on freedom of the press.

It may be presumed that the Catholic leader was pointing to the vital role of free press in mustering public wishes and insight about the rewriting of the Constitution and thus implementing the revised basic law, once achieved, with little friction.

At any rate, it is needless to elaborate that freedom of the press is fundamental and crucial in enhancing the nation's progress, including political development, and that its attributes inherently involve a free flow of information and opinion, along with unbiased and truthful reporting.

Accordingly, it is hoped once again that acute efforts be made to better guarantee freedom of the press and other basic civil rights in the course of undertaking a constitutional amendment, which has thus far been focused on the form of the government's power structure and means of presidential election.

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S. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

BRIEFS

RESEARCH COMMITTEE LAUNCHED--The government yesterday launched a "Research Committee on Constitutional System," composed of 40 members from academic and legal circles. Former Chief Justice Min Pok-ki was appointed chairman of the special committee under direct control of the presidential office. Two vice chairmen are Mun Hong-chu, president of Academy of Korean Studies, and Yun Se-chang, former dean of graduate school of Korea University. There are 18 professors of law including Pak Il-kyong, former education minister, and Kim Chi-son, president of Soongjon University, and nine political scientists. Government Legislation Minister Yi Yang-u, Court Administration Minister Im Kyu-un and Vice Justice Minister Yi Chong-nam were also appointed. Yi Yang-u will be the secretary general of the special committee. [Text] [Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 16 May 86 p 1] /12640

CURRENT SITUATION DISCUSSED--No Tae-u, chairman of the ruling Democratic Justice Party, paid a call on Stephen Cardinal Kim Su-hwan at Myong-dong Cathedral yesterday to discuss the overall situation of the nation, a party spokesman said. The spokesman only said that No and the cardinal discussed pending questions extensively for about an hour, from 11 am. The Catholic primate of Korea recently drew attention by asking radical students to give up leftist ideas and a militant attitude. The spokesman quoted No as telling party officers that "We (No and Kim) broadened the scope of our mutual understanding of the current situation." No had met the cardinal in March last year when he was appointed DJP chairman. [Text] [Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 15 May 86 p 1] /12640

YONSEI STUDENTS FORM COUNCIL--Some 800 students and a batch of labor and religious activists held a protest rally at Yonsei University and inaugurated a "national" council to struggle for a popular democratic constitution yesterday. Protestors claimed that the incumbent National Assembly led by a "Fascist party" should be disbanded. They demanded the punishment of those responsible for the Kwangju incident while labelling the United States as an imperialist abettor in the tragedy. The two-hour demonstration was quelled by a 500-strong riot police force. [Text] [Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 16 May 86 p 8] /12640

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S. KOREA/ECONOMY

CHON INSTRUCTS 'BOLD' DISPOSAL OF DECLINING INDUSTRIES

SK150038 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 15 May 86 p 1

[Text] President Chon Tu-hwan asked the economic administration in a monthly briefing session yesterday to boldly dispose of declining industries.

The president was referring to the merger and sale of debt-ridden business firms currently conducted by the government.

He told the economic officials and businessmen, "All gains from the decline in oil prices and international interest rates should be reinvested to raise the quality of products, rationalize industrial management and improve energy-using facilities."

The economic session was held at the government office building in Kwachon, Kyonggi-do.

"We must build a firm foundation for the self-reliant growth of our economy, taking full advantage of the current favorable economic situation," Chons said.

The businesses were told to diversify their export markets and increase the import substitution of spare parts and capital goods, making the best use of the current surge of the yen against the U.S. dollar and declining international interest rates.

The President said that all relevant ministries should pool their efforts to seek continued price stability in the face of the currently favorable external circumstances.

He emphasized that any cause for price rise, including real estate speculation speculation, must be eliminated to the core, under any circumstances.

Chon said that the nation should achieve the modernization of the industrial structure and technological renovation through the execution of the sixth five-year economic development program starting next year.

The president then called for a broad participation by experts from all walks of life in carrying out the sixth development plan.

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S. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

CANADA'S MULRONEY DISCUSSES TRADE IMBALANCE, SECURITY

SK150647 Seoul YONHAP in English 0617 GMT 15 May 86

[Text] Seoul, 15 May (YONHAP) -- Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said Thursday concerted efforts should be made to rectify the trade imbalance between Korea and Canada and to battle protectionism world-wide.

To correct the trade imbalance favoring Korea, Mulroney said, Korea should lower the tariff rate on imported lumber, coal and agricultural products such as wheat and alfalfa.

Korea exported about 1.23 billion U.S. dollars worth of commodities to Canada in 1985 and imported about 630 million dollars worth, resulting in a trade surplus of 599 million dollars.

In a press conference at the Korea press center here, Mulroney expressed the hope that Korea will buy another Candu nuclear reactor from his country.

"If Korea imports another Candu reactor from Canada, it will be the best choice for the nation because the reactor is excellent in terms of safety and credibility," he said.

Mulroney also said he told Korean President Chon Tu-hwan that he hopes Korea will show its allies progress toward democratization through the peaceful transfer of power.

The Canadian prime minister left here for home later Wednesday, winding up his 4-day official visit to Korea. Before coming here, Mulroney visited China and Japan, where he attended the Tokyo economic summit of the leaders of the seven leading Western industrialized countries.

Regarding the security situation on the Korean peninsula, Mulroney said, "Canada, as a nation that dispatched 27,000 troops to Korea during the Korean War, well perceives that the stability and peace on the peninsula is linked directly with the world peace."

In addition, Mulroney said that Canada will continuously receive immigrants, who have contributed to the growth and wealth of Canada.

He also said that he got the impression while in Beijing that China wants to reduce tensions on the Korean peninsula and to normalize relations with neighboring countries.

While in Seoul, the Canadian leader met with President Chon Tu-hwan, Prime Minister No Sin-yong and other government and opposition leaders, and toured the truce village of Panmunjom dividing south and north Korea.

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S. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

BRIEFS

NKDP INVITES JSP FOR VISIT--Seoul, 19 May KYODO -- The New Korea Democratic Party (NKDP) sent an invitation to the Japan Socialist Party (JSP) Monday for a visit to Seoul for talks with leaders of the NKDP, South Korea's largest opposition force. JSP Chairman Masashi Ishibashi and eight other members have planned to visit Seoul May 27-29. But it remains to be seen if the South Korean Embassy in Tokyo will issue visas to the JSP delegates as the JSP recognizes North Korea but not South Korea. Kim Yong-sam, an NKDP adviser, invited Ishibashi to visit Seoul during their talks in Tokyo last October. Government sources said South Korea will accept JSP officials if they are invited by the speaker of the National Assembly. Government and NKDP officials are discussing if this is possible, the sources added. [Text] [Tokyo KYODO in English 1012 GMT 19 May 86] /12640

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S. KOREA/FOREIGN TRADE

MINISTER URGES AUSTRALIA TO LIFT IMPORT BARRIERS

SK161352 Seoul YONHAP in English 1251 GMT 16 May 86

[Text] Seoul, 16 May (YONHAP) -- South Korean Trade and Industry Minister Kum Chin-ho has urged Australia to lift import restrictions, such as anti-dumping measures and tariff quotas on Korean-made products to correct chronic trade imbalance favoring Australia, according to a report from Sydney to the Korean ministry Friday.

Kum made the remarks in a speech to some 200 Australian business leaders, who attended a meeting of the Australia-Korea Business Cooperation Council in Sydney, the report said.

In the speech, the minister pointed out, "there is growing talk among Korean businessmen of switching our import sources of various raw materials from Australia to other countries."

Kum noted that cumulative deficit in Korea's trade with Australia since 1975 amounts to almost 5 billion U.S. dollars worth, adding it provokes considerable criticism from his country's media and business circles.

Noting that trade barriers imposed by Australia are especially effective in keeping Korean-made textiles, radial tires, steel products, chemicals, automobiles, electric and electronic products, [as received] he strongly called on Australia to take steps to rectify the trade imbalance.

The Korean minister embarked on his 12-day trip to Australia and New Zealand on 11 May for talks on promoting bilateral trade with his counterparts in the two countries.

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S. KOREA/FOREIGN TRADE

MEASURES FOR ECONOMIC TIES WITH EUROPE

SK160015 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 16 May 86 p 4

[Editorial: "Economic Ties With Europe"]

[Text] It is appropriate that government authorities have recently taken comprehensive measures to positively explore the European market.

Notable in the latest steps, designed to promote economic ties with Europe, are efforts to shift the import sources of machinery and components from Japan to Europe, as well as the support of joint ventures with European countries.

Drawing particular attention are bids to dispatch a large-scale trade mission to Europe in September and 15 small-scale business delegations there within the year.

These moves to advance into Europe are among several follow-up steps related to President Chon Tu-hwan's recent visit to four European countries, which has served to enhance the cooperative climate between Korea and the European nations.

It is noteworthy that more than 30 items have been selected to diversify their import sources from Japan to Europe, in light of the ever-growing trade deficit with Japan.

Indeed alarming is the fact that the trade deficit with Japan last month hit a record monthly high of \$565 million, bringing the total deficit with the neighboring country during the first four months of this year to \$1,661 million, more than half of the \$3,017 million registered for the whole of last year, in the wake of the sustained rally of the Japanese yen since late last year.

Another encouraging development is that specific European partners seeking joint ventures with Korean firms have emerged with plans to invest in third countries in the sector of manufacturing machinery parts and components of which the nation's imports are highly dependent on Japan.

In fact, the nation's trade with Europe has been still meager in volume, as compared with our trade with Japan and the United States. In addition, Korean investments thus far made in Europe, numbering a little more than 40 cases, amount to only \$10 million, with most cases in the non-manufacturing fields.

On the other hand, European investments in Korea have steadily increased since the latter 1970s in manufacturing industries, including steel and nuclear power projects.

We should reflect on ourselves in our past negligence even in promoting the exports of products with comparative advantages and viability to Europe. It is also regrettable that the promotion of exports to Europe and investments there have thus far proved to be more or less an empty slogan or a flash in the pan.

While both the growing trade deficit with Japan and the trade surplus with the United States constitute a grave issue, stepped-up efforts to explore the European market are expected to serve in breaking through a major obstacle in our economic advance abroad.

It is earnestly hoped that the projected trade missions will make substantive negotiations to seek balanced trade with each of the European countries, while striving to win the transfer of advanced technology from Europe into Korea.

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S. KOREA/FOREIGN TRADE

BRIEFS

MONTHLY TRADE DEFICIT WITH JAPAN--Seoul, 15 May KYODO -- South Korea posted a record monthly trade deficit with Japan of 570 million dollars in April, South Korea's economic planning board said Thursday. South Koreaa exported 369 million dollars worth of goods to Japan last month and imported 939 million dollars, producing a deficit more than double that of same month last year. The deficit presumably snowballed due to rising import cost of machineries and their parts, which South Korea uses to manufacture export goods, caused by the high yen. The machinery imports account for more than half of South Korea's total imports from Japan. South Korea's January-April deficit with Japan rose to 1.67 million dollars, or 55 percent of last year's total deficit in its trade with Japan. Observers here said the tendency to shift imports from Japan to other countries may grow further to lessen the dependence on Japan.

[Text] [Tokyo KYODO in English 1004 GMT 15 May 86] /12640

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N.KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

DAILY CARRIES ARTICLE ON SOCIALIST ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT

SK041004 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0907 GMT 4 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 4 (KCNA)--Papers dedicated articles to the third anniversary of the publication of the work of dear Comrade Kim Chong'il "Let Us Advance Under the Banner of Marxism-Leninism and the Chuche Idea" on May 3, 1983.

NODONG SINMUN Saturday in a signed article says:

This work clarified the fundamental principle of the revolutionary struggle of the working class and the truth of the chuche idea and gave a comprehensive solution to theoretical and practical questions arising in the communist construction. The work serves as a powerful ideological and theoretical weapon in the Korean people's struggle for the accomplishment of the cause of chuche.

One of the theoretical questions expounded by Comrade Kim Chong-il in the work is the theory on the character of the socialist society and enforcement of all policies suited to it.

This theory carries weighty significance in steadily improving the socialist economic management in conformity with the demand of the developing reality.

The theoretical and practical question raised in realizing economic management suited to the character of the socialist society is, first of all, to properly combine the party political work with the economic organizing work.

Correct combination of the party political work with administration and economic work under the socialist system is to give priority to the party political work for economic organizing work and do the party political work for ensuring economic organizing work. The experience of socialist economic construction in Korea shows that proper maintenance and consolidation of these relations is the key to the success of economic work.

The theoretical and practical question in doing the economic management in conformity with the character of the socialist society is to put a main emphasis on political and moral incentive and properly combine material incentive with it.

All the ideas and theories of the Workers' Party of Korea on economic management are run through with the demand for making the political and moral incentive the most important means of putting the working people to activity and stimulating them to the production and construction.

This can be met mainly through the correct introduction of the cost-accounting system suited to the demand of the Taean work system, communist form of economic management.

It is an important question in doing the economic management in conformity with the character of the socialist society to properly combine the unified and planned guidance of the state with the work of enhancing the role of every production and management unit, the paper emphasizes.

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N.KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

KIM HWAN ATTENDS SYMPOSIUM ON KIM IL-SONG WORK

SK141030 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1006 GMT 14 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 14 (KCNA)--A scientific symposium was held Tuesday to mark the 20th anniversary of the publication of the classic work of the great leader President Kim Il-song "On Correctly Preserving the National Characteristics of the Korean Language" (May 14, 1966).

Present there was Kim Hwan, member of the political bureau, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The speakers emphasized that the work of President Kim Il-song showed a most straight path of the solution of the question of national language in the present era by comprehensively elucidating the essence of this question and points of principle arising in solving it.

President Kim Il-song, they said, specified that the question of national language in the present age is, in essence, to preserve its national characteristics. This idea is the ideological, theoretical and methodological compass for the solution of the question of national language in our era, they noted.

They said what is essential in solving the question of national language in our era by preserving the national characteristics of the language is to preserve the inherent words, because they most intensively represent the national characteristics of the language and have stronger resisting power to foreign languages than any other elements of the language, they added.

President Kim Il-song expounded what is also important in solving the question of national language in the present age, the question of preserving the national characteristics of the language, is to conduct this work in conformity with the specific features of the national language of each country and make it the work of the popular masses themselves, the speakers noted.

They said chuche must be established in linguistics, too, to systematically develop the Korean language and make the people feel national pride and honour in speaking it.

They pointed to the fact that the written and spoken languages of Korea are being developed and perfected today to suit the demand of modelling the

whole society on the chuche idea under the wise leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea.

NODONG SINMUN and MINJU CHOSON carry articles under respective titles "Korean language is a superior one with national characteristics" and "language and national pride."

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NODONG SINMUN CALLS FOR MAINTAINING CHAJUSONG

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[Text] Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN today in an article titled "To Maintain Chajusong is Guarantee for National Independence and Prosperity" stresses that the ever more unscrupulous schemes of the U.S. imperialists to stamp out and obliterate the dignity of sovereign and independent states today call for more firmly maintaining Chajusong.

Noting that to maintain Chajusong is first of all a fundamental demand for achieving the independence of a country and defending national dignity, the author of the article says:

To uphold their dignity and honour, it is imperative for the national independent states to maintain a firm independent stand at any time and under whatever circumstances.

A nation with a strong faith in Chajusong will not submit to any threat or blackmail of imperialism but resolutely reject foreign interference and defend national independence.

Pointing out that to maintain Chajusong is also a guarantee for the eternal development, prosperity and grandeur of a nation, the article says:

It is a stand which must be held fast to without fail in the struggle for national prosperity to solve problems arising in the revolution and construction on the principle of self-reliance on one's own responsibility.

In particular, this problem has become a more pressing one today when the predatory policy of imperialism is being stepped up.

Today under the cloak of "aid" and "cooperation" the U.S. imperialists are making their way into new-born independent states to destroy their national economy.

To achieve development in all domains, political, economic and cultural, and lay the foundation of a dignified position in the international arena a nation should thoroughly apply the principle of Chajusong in the revolution and construction.

To maintain Chajusong is an indispensable precondition for resolutely upholding the revolutionary principle of the working class and achieving the sound development of a nation, the article notes, the stresses:

A nation with strong Chajusong will never step back even an inch from a revolutionary stand but advance in an indomitable spirit no matter what the cost may be.

We will hold aloft the banner of the chuche idea and firmly maintain the principle of Chajusong in the future, too, and thereby hasten the cause of socialism and communism, achieve the reunification of the country and the eternal prosperity of the nation.

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INTERNATIONAL CHUCHE SEMINAR ATTENDANTS PRAISE KIM CHONG-IL

SK161052 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1026 GMT 16 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--The attendants at the international seminar on the chuche idea for global independence and peace held in April in Vienna highly praised the outstanding ideological and theoretical activities of the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il.

Edmond Jouve, president of the council of the European Society for the Study of the Chuche Idea and professor of Paris University No 1, France, said:

I had never read such a wonderful work as the treatise "On the Chuche Idea."

Excellent ideas are consummated in this work of His Excellency Kim Chong-il.

Progressive scholars of Europe admire his brilliant intelligence and high theoretical authority, while reading this work again and again.

Shuhachi Inoue, deputy director general of the Board of International Institute of the Chuche idea and professor of Ryukyo University, Japan, said in his speech titled "On the Development in Depth of Chuche Idea by Secretary Kim Chong-il":

The treatise "On the Chuche Idea" has played the role of declaring at home and abroad the brilliant fruition of the ideological and theoretical intelligence of Secretary Kim Chong-il and brilliant summing up of his high ideological and theoretical authority.

Unfathomable is the depth of the idea contained in the work. This idea is like a never-drying spring of truth.

Robert Charvin, professor of Nice University, France, said: The man-centered idea that runs through each line of the works of His Excellency Kim Chong-il is superb and precious.

The master of the realistic world is man.

There is no other doctrine that respects, praises and glorifies man as the chuche idea does.

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KIM CHONG-IL GIVES WORKING GUIDANCE TO DIRECT-SALE STORES

SK162301 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1517 GMT 16 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--Dear Comrade Kim Chong-il gave on-the-spot working guidance to the work of the direct sale stores of "August 3 Mass Consumption Goods" in Pyongyang on May 13.

"August 3 mass consumption goods" are those made by members of the daily necessities shops and workteams of factories and enterprises, housewives workteams and sideline workteams and home workers by tapping and using by-products, waste materials and other inner reserves.

The production of these goods has been conducted through a mass movement since Comrade Kim Chong-il clarified in detail how to increase the assortment of mass consumption goods and enhance their quality, while going round the light industrial goods exhibition on August 3, 1984.

Since then the number of daily necessities shops and workteams, housewives workteams and sideline workteams has sharply increased. Last year alone, there appeared as many as over 14,400 of such workshops and workteams.

In less than 2 years the basic variety of "August 3 mass consumption goods" has increased 4.6 times and their expanded variety 4.7 times.

In particular, Pyongchon District, Pyongyang, has boosted in this period the production value of goods 33 times and their assortment 47 times.

Goods produced in this district are marketed at the district direct sale store. Clothes, footwear, household goods, kitchen utensils, schoolthings, goods of cultural use and miscellaneous goods of daily use, etc. are popular among people for their variety and good shape.

Such direct sale stores are to be found in all cities and counties (districts). Their number exceeds 200, taking the country as a whole.

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KCNA REPORTS ON PROGRESS OF RICE TRANSPLANTING

SK161046 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1022 GMT 16 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--Rice-transplanting has begun in the country-side of Korea.

Rice seedlings have been transplanted in thousands of hectares of paddy fields in a few days on the west coast areas such as the Yoldusamcholli, Yongchon and Chaeryong plains, which are known to be granaries, with an intensive mobilization of manpower and machines.

Rice-transplanting has been completed in over 4,000 hectares in north Pyongan Province.

Despite a long spell of unfavorable weather under the influence of the cold front, sturdy rice seedlings have been nursed through a scientific and technical control of seedling beds.

For rice-transplanting in right time, precedence was given to tilling and harrowing, with the result that thorough preparations were made for transplanting by machines.

In Korea rice-transplanting is an important process of farming which means a breakthrough in farming.

Various kinds of farm machines had been massively supplied to the country-side to carry out the vast work at a lightening speed. The rate of mechanisation in rice-transplanting will be increased this year with the supply of rice-transplanting machines jumping 40 percent above last year.

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PROJECTS TO INCREASE PRODUCTION CAPACITY SPEED UP PACE

SK072241 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1502 GMT 7 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 7 (KCNA)--Projects for the increase of production capacity on the basis of new technology are progressing at fast speed in Korea.

One of the major construction objects is the second-stage expansion project of the Kim Chaek Iron and Steel Complex for radically boosting iron and steel production.

Now the construction of 18 objectives of the complex has entered the full-fledged stage.

The assembling of the buildings of six objects including roughing ground No 6 and oxygen plant have already been completed and the assembling of equipment inside these buildings has been carried out by over 50 percent.

The reconstruction and expansion project of furnace No 1 for increasing its cubature 1.2 times and equipping it with new technology was completed long ago and began producing molten iron.

Vigorous efforts are being made at the Hwanghae Iron and Steel Complex for making metallurgical equipment chuche-based and modernized, which involves the installing of a large oxygen plant and the expansion of furnaces, sintering ovens and the steel shop.

With the completion of remodelling of open hearth No 6, the fuel consumption per ton of steel has been cut 20 percent while the steel output jumped two times.

The expansion project of the Tanchon Magnesia Clinker Factory is also making headway at full steam.

Following the building of the bodies of all the planned 16 kilns, the constructors are pushing ahead at fast speed with the laying of bricks inside the bodies and the building of the crushing and sorting plant, the products storing ground, the general dust absorbing building, and so on.

Energetic endeavours are being made to create foundations of production equal to the attainment of the grand 10 long-range objectives of the socialist economic construction in the coal and ore mines including the Anju District coal mining complex, the Komdok general mining enterprise and the Musan mining complex and factories and enterprises of various other fields of the national economy.

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SOLDIER-BUILDERS COMPLETE HYANGSAN, TONGAM LOCKGATES

SK180932 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0852 GMT 18 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 18 (KCNA)--Soldier-builders of the Korean People's Army have constructed in a short period the Hyangsan and Tongam lock gates, proud monumental structures of the Workers' Party age.

The Hyangsan lock gate is the first of its kind built across the river Chongchon.

The lock gate has a number of sluices, a power station and a fish route and the bridge on the dam extends hundreds of metres.

With the construction of the lock gate, it has become possible to harness the river Chongchon to protect the arable land in its basin from floods, solve the power problem in the Hyangsan area with the electricity produced by the lock gate power station and promote the conveniences in traffic, and the artificial lake will change the local scenery, rendering it more beautiful.

The Tongam lock gate on the river Taedong has been constructed in accordance with the far-reaching plan of the great leader President Kim Il-song to build a canal linking Nampo and Tokchon. The fifth lock gate from the Nampo barrage upstream, it is an all-embracing, modern one with locks capable of letting pass big and small ships, a broad road, a power station, etc.

It has also a fish route and moorages and the sluice gates are uniformly operated at the control tower.

With the construction of the Tongam lock gate, it has become possible to meet the growing demand for transportation more satisfactorily by carrying through the water the cement, coal and so forth produced in the Sunchon area and largely increase agricultural production by storing more irrigation water.

The landscape of the Taedong river basin will become more beautiful and Sanchon will completely change its looks as a city of industry and culture through the lock gate bridge materials and equipment will be transported to the construction sites of the Vinalon complex, the thermal power plant, and

so forth in the Sunchon District and the lock gate power station will supply electric power to the construction sites and the populated areas.

The great leader President Kim Il-song and dear Comrade Kim Chong-il indicated the direction and ways for an early completion of the lock gates, solved all problems, big and small, arising in their construction, and highly praised the fast speed of the construction carried out without much publicity.

President Kim Il-song named the Hyangsan lock gate bridge and wrote "Hyangsan Bridge" in his own hand.

These lock gates, together with other ones, will greatly contribute to the economic development of the country and the improvement of the people's life.

The construction of one more lock gate, Hadan lock gate, is now progressing apace on the river Taedong.

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MORE THAN 50 NEW EXCAVATING SITES DETERMINED

SK121100 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1039 GMT 12 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 12 (KCNA)--The geological prospecting teams across the country have determined more than 50 new promising excavating sites over the last 6 years, according to data available at the Ministry of Resources Development.

Many of them are deposits of such valuable resources are coal, gold, copper, lead and so on. More than 40 objects have already been put into partial operation or are being developed.

New coal deposits which would last for centuries have been ascertained in Anju District on the west coast.

Deposits of ores of world level in content rate have been discovered in Chagang Province. Their excavation has already begun.

The prospecting teams have spotted in recent years various kinds of minerals of large economic value for the first time in the country.

An Chong-yong, vice-director of the underground resources survey department, said:

During the last few years the survey teams have spotted new mineral deposits of high content rate estimated at millions of tons to open a bright prospect of non-ferrous metal production.

New minerals greatly conducive to the development of chemical industry have also been discovered to be developed. Their deposits determined so far are estimated at hundreds of millions of tons.

Resources of cement rocks which can substitute for limestone and clay, the main raw materials of cement, have been discovered.

The vice-director said prospecting teams were planning to secure more than 10 new excavating sites this year and they were reporting renovatory successes on the threshold of the geological survey day which falls on May 15.

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DAMMING OF LAST SECTION OF NAMPO DAM COMPLETED

SK191035 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1011 GMT 19 Apr 86

[Text] Pyongyang Apr 19 (KCNA)--The damming of the last section of the main dam, one of the most difficult projects in the construction of the Nampo barrage, a gigantic monumental edifice of the 1980's, was completed victoriously on April 18.

With the successful completion of this project, Nampo municipality and south Hwanghae province have been linked together by the dam and the water of the river Taedong which had flowed for millions of years has come to a standstill to bring into shape a large artificial lake.

Nine islands on the sea have either disappeared or come within the lake. And the water of the river Taedong will be channelled to north and south Hwanghae provinces and south Pyongan province, granaries on the west coast, and Nampo and Pyongyang municipalities, for a more sufficient supply of irrigation water and a convincing prospect has been opened for developing sea and land transport and fisheries, improving the people's life and rendering the looks of the country more beautiful.

The 8 kilometers long dam stretching on the west sea is a crystal of the wise guidance of the great leader President Kim Il-song and our party and the boundless loyalty of the soldiers of the heroic Korean People's Army and the entire people to the party and the leader and a proud product of the mighty independent national economy that our party has built with a hard struggle.

The main dam of the Nampo barrage which has been built with our wisdom, technique and strength is a proud creation of eternal value which will not be shaken under any natural condition.

The people's army soldiers, constructors and scientists are pulling their full weight on the successful completion of the Nampo barrage.

A railway, a motorway and sidewalks will run on this main dam and it has a fish route.

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WATER-CHANNELLING PROJECT PROGRESSING--Pyongyang Apr 23 (KCNA)--The Sotusu water-channelling project is now progressing apace on Paektu Plateau in the northern inland area over 2,000 metres above the sea level. This project is a very effective and favorable construction project for obtaining as much electricity as produced by a power station in a brief period and with smaller-scale investment. At present the construction of scores of ri long waterways, power stations, dams and pumping stations, etc. is going at full steam in the 100 ri (40 km) long section. When this project is completed, the demand of northern industrial districts of the country for electricity will be met more satisfactorily. This year the state will concentrate efforts on the construction of hydraulic power stations including the construction of the Taechon and Wiwon power stations and the water-channelling project of the March 17 power station now underway to radically increase the hydraulic power generating capacity. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1015 GMT 23 Apr 86 SK] /12624

GRAPHITE BASE UNDER CONSTRUCTION--Pyongyang Apr 24 (KCNA)--The Hungsang mine under the south Hwanghae provincial mining administration is being built to be a leading graphite production base. Hungsang area is blessed with a large deposit of good-quality graphite. As the open cast mining is possible there, the construction of cutting sites needs not a large investment. When the construction is completed, it will be possible to fully meet the increasing domestic needs for graphite and export a large quantity of graphite every year. The builders there have completed the construction of an ore dressing plant in the main in a short period and finished the assembling of a system. They will complete the assembling of two systems in the future, the ore dressing capacity of each system being hundreds of thousands of tons. The construction of a drainage drying ground, crude ore transport facilities, repair and maintenance shop and heavy machine repair shop is progressing apace. The project of a repair and maintenance shop building and transmission-line laying have already been finished. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1014 GMT 24 Apr 86 SK] /12624

RAILWAY STATIONS FOR MINING WORKERS--Pyongyang Apr 14 (KCNA)--Six new railway stations have made their appearance in a section between the work site to the residential quarters of the miners of the Musan mining complex, a leading ore production base of Korea. The section extends tens of ri from Chucho, the miners' housing estates, to Ousan. The stations stand at average intervals of 2.4 kilometers. The distance between some stations is

1.5 kilometers. The great leader president Kim Il-song a few years ago took a step for the construction of many houses for the miners in the area and, when a new "miners' city" took shape, he saw to it that railway stations were built for their commutation. In May 1984, dear comrade Kim Chong-il climbed the Cholsan hill more than 800 meters above sea level and showed deep loving care for the miners there, considerate of their commutation. Now commuters' trains made up of modern coaches, cable cars "undok" and large buses serve the miners going to and from work. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1052 GMT 14 Apr 86 SK] /12624

INVESTMENTS INCREASED IN METAL--Pyongyang Apr 17 (KCNA)--This year Korea will increase investments in the metal industry 13 percent as against last year. The second stage expansion project of the Kim Chaek Iron and Steel Complex is one of the main construction objects of the country. The Chollima Steel Complex which has opened a prospect to markedly boost the production of steel and rolled steel by installing an oxygen plant last year will install a 10,000-ton power press this year. The vast project is now progressing apace to construct the main press shop in tens of thousands of square meters and other buildings and assembly more than 800 installations. An oxygen plant will be installed at the Hwanghae Iron and Steel Complex and the metallurgical equipment and production processes relying on our domestic fuel be built up better at metal factories including the Sonjin Steel Complex. A new upsurge will be effected in the production of concentrated ores by increasing investments in the Musan Mining Complex and iron ore mines in the western district. A radical step was taken at the recent 11th plenary meeting of the 6th Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea to rapidly augment the production of iron and steel. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1509 GMT 17 Apr 86 SK] /12624

HIGH-SPEED DRILLING COMPETITION--Pyongyang, May 3 (KCNA)--The participants in the national high-speed drilling competition surpassed the goal of drilling 30,000 metres. The competition is participated in by high-speed drilling platoons in the field of the mining industry and geological survey and drilling platoons of the Komdok general mining enterprise. They have built more than 30 cutting faces over the past 6 months to extract several millions of tons of ore. The Chang Yong-hyon platoon of the Mandok mine drilled 340 metres on a monthly average, over 500 metres at maximum in the period of the competition through continuous drilling and continuous dynamiting. The Ho Yun-po platoon of the Komdok geological prospecting corps set a new record by drilling over 35 metres a day at maximum, increasing the number of dynamiting. The participants set themselves the goal of securing over 10 cutting faces in the future. In this way the cutting faces of the Komdok general mining enterprise, a giant leading non-ferrous metal ore production base of the nation, are being built up under a prospective plan. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1506 GMT 3 May 86 SK] /8918

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N.KOREA/SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

KCNA REPORTS ON WORK OF TECHNICAL INNOVATION SHOCK BRIGADES

SK302219 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1508 GMT 30 Apr 86

[Text] Pyongyang, April 30 (KCNA)--A technical innovation movement is going on brisk among the working people in all parts of Korea.

Standing in the van of this movement are the members of the "April 15 technical innovation shockbrigades" which were organized at all factories and enterprises.

The members of the "April 15 technical innovation shock brigades" in Pyongyang introduced more than 1,100 technical innovation proposals into production in the last 3 months or so this year.

They thus manufactured many pieces of equipment-and goods conducive to the modernisation of the national economy and saved a large amount of raw materials, fuel and supplies.

In this period they rendered a benefit amounting to millions of won to the state.

The members of the "April 15 technical innovation shock brigades" in north Pyongan Province incorporated over 2,000 technical innovation proposal in production in the last 3 months.

In particular, the Chongsu chemical factory introduced many valuable technical innovation proposals in a short period and boosted production 1.8 times, while saving hundreds of tons of raw materials and fuel.

These technical innovation shock brigades which were organised to positively contribute to the chuche-orientation, modernisation and scientisation of the national economy have incorporated more than 340,000 technical innovation proposals over the past 6 years.

In this period more than 138,000 machines were built and a great amount of labour, fund and supplies saved.

Many shock brigade members were awarded the technical innovation pioneer prize and patent right of the state.

In Korea there are the "February 17 scientists shock brigades" and "February 17 scientists and technicians shock brigades."

Over the past 8 years these shock brigades were dispatched to over 160 industrial establishments and construction sites. They carried out nearly 2,000 scientific research tasks and introduced many technical innovation proposals to give a huge benefit to the state.

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SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL FESTIVAL CLOSES--Pyongyang, April 30 (KCNA)--A scientific and technical festival which has been open from February closed on April 29 after scoring signal successes. The festival took place in the form of holding a central meeting introducing what has been highly estimated at meetings for reading papers on scientific and technical subjects studied, invention and contrivance contests and meetings for introducing technical innovation proposals held at industrial enterprises throughout the country and in cities (districts), counties and provinces. A large number of papers on scientific and technical subjects, inventions and contrivances were introduced at the festival attended by more than 226,000 people of various strata who are powerfully pushing ahead with the mass technical innovation movement. Upwards of 320 scientific papers and 160 inventions were highly estimated because their scientific conceptions and research methods were excellent and they contributed to the solution of new scientific and technical problems. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1010 GMT 30 Apr 86 SK] /8918

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N.KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

MESSAGES OF SOLIDARITY SENT TO PALESTINIANS

Kim Il-song Message to 'Arafat

SK141112 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1025 GMT 14 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 14 (KCNA)--President Kim Il-song stressed that the Korean people have firmly supported and encouraged the struggle of the Palestinian people at all times and would stand firm on the side of the fighting Palestinian people in the future, too.

In his message of solidarity sent to Yasir 'Arafat, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation and commander-in-chief of the Palestinian Revolutionary Armed Forces, on May 13 on the occasion of the "week of support to the struggle of the Palestinian people," President Kim Il-song said that for its justness the cause of the Palestinian revolution enjoyed the broad support and encouragement of the world people.

The message noted that the just struggle of the Palestinian people to restore their legitimate national rights including the right to return to their homeland and the right to found an independent state of Palestine with Kuds as the capital would be crowned with final victory without fail.

President Kim Il-song in his message expressed the belief that the militant friendship and unity between the Korean and Palestinian peoples would further consolidate and develop through the common struggle against imperialism and its stooges.

Daily Extends Solidarity

SK150449 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0436 GMT 15 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 15 (KCNA)--The Korean people take the "week of support to the struggle of the Palestinian people" as an occasion in extending firm support and solidarity and warm and militant greetings to the Palestine Liberation Organisation, the Palestinian people and resistance fighters, declares NODONG SINMUN today.

It says this is an expression of the unshakable stand of the Korean people extending invariable support and encouragement to the just cause of the Palestinian people.

It continues: Although the Palestinian people are undergoing temporary difficulties and running up against the vicious challenge of the enemy, their cause is just and the progressive people of the world are on their side.

In recent years the U.S. imperialists and the Israeli aggressors have employed every means and method to obliterate the cause of the Palestinian people.

With no means or tricks, however, can the enemy call a halt to the just struggle of the Palestinian people.

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Our people pungently denounce the suppressive and murderous atrocities committed by the Israeli Zionists backed by the U.S. imperialists against the Palestinian people and firmly support and encourage as ever their just struggle for the freedom and liberation of their motherland.

MINJU CHOSON says: Our people who regard it as a noble international duty to positively support the anti-imperialist, national-liberation struggle of the people stand firm on the side of the Palestinian people in the struggle against the aggressive manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists and the Zionists.

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REPORTAGE ON VISIT TO SYRIA BY WPK DELEGATION

Yang Hyong-sop Meets With al-Asad

SK121040 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1023 GMT 12 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 12 (KCNA)--Hafiz al-Asad, president of the Syrian Arab Republic, met the delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Yang Hyong-sop, member of the WPK Central Committee, on May 8.

The head of the delegation conveyed regards of President Kim Il-song and Comrade Kim Chong-il to President Hafiz al-Asad.

President al-Asad expressed deep thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to forward his cordial greetings to them.

Referring to the friendly relations between Syria and Korea, President al-Asad said these relations were very deep and they would further develop in the future thanks to the comradely and fraternal intimacy between himself and most respected His Excellency President Kim Il-song.

Stating that there would be no change in the stand of the Syrian party and government fully supporting the reunification of Korea, he wished the Workers' Party of Korea and the Korean people new progress in their struggle for socialist construction and national reunification.

The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Delegation Returns

SK170431 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0412 GMT 17 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--The delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Yang Hyong-sop, member of the WPK Central Committee, flew back home Friday from its Syrian visit.

It was met at the airport by Hyon Chun-kuk, member, and director of a department, of the WPK Central Committee, and other officials concerned.

Syrian ambassador to Korea Hani Habib and Bulgarian ambassador to Korea Vasil Khubchev were also present at the airport.

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KIM IL-SONG MEETS WITH SIHANOUK IN PYONGYANG

SK170359 Pyongyang NODONG SINMUN in Korean 11 Apr 86 p 1

[By the "Political Reporting Team"]

[Text] On 10 April, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, together with his wife, met with His Majesty Prince Norodom Sihanouk and his wife.

On hand at this meeting was Sam Sann, Democratic Kampuchean ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to our country.

After having talks with His Majesty Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song arranged a luncheon for him.

Invited to this luncheon were the company of His Majesty Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Sam Sann, Democratic Kampuchean ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to our country.

Also participating in this luncheon were Vice President Pak Song-chol and his wife, Vice Premier Chong Chun-ki, Vice Foreign Minister Yi Won-kuk, and functionaries concerned.

On this day, His Majesty Prince Norodom Sihanouk presented gifts to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

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TIAN JIYUN MEETS LSWYK DELEGATION 10 MAY

SK150725 Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 11 May 86

[Text] In the Great Hall of the People on 10 May, Comrade Tian Jiyun, member of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, secretary of the Secretariat of the CPC Central Committee, and vice premier of the State Council, met the delegation of the LSWYK led by Kim Chang-yong, vice chairman of the LSWYK Central Committee of our country, visiting China.

Comrade Tian Kiyun asked the head of the delegation to convey intimate greetings to Comrade Kim Il-song, the great friend and comrade-in-arms of the Chinese people, and Comrade Kim Chong-il from Comrade Hu Yaobang, general secretary of the CPC Central Committee; Comrade Deng Xiaoping; Comrade Li Xiannian; and Comrade Zhao Ziyang.

The head of the delegation expressed his deep gratitude for this and asked Comrade Tian Kiyun to convey to the respected Comrade Hu Yaobang, Comrade Deng Xiaoping, Comrade Li Xiannian, and Comrade Zhao Ziyang warm greetings from the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear Comrade Kim Chong-il. The talks proceeded in a warm and friendly atmosphere.

Also present were Song Defu, first secretary, and Li Keqiang, secretary, of the Central Committee of the Communist Youth League of China, and Sin In-ha, DPRK Ambassador to China.

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LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY DELEGATION FROM GDR VISITS

Yang Hyong-sop Welcomes Group

SK161110 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1037 GMT 16 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--A delegation of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany headed by Manfred Gerlach, chairman of its Central Committee and vice-chairman of the State Council of the German Democratic Republic, arrived here today by plane for a visit to Korea upon the invitation of the Central Committee of the Social Democratic Party of Korea.

It was met at the airport by Yang Hyong-sop, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, Kim Yong-chun, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the Social Democratic Party of Korea, and other personages concerned.

Karl-Heinz Kern, GDR ambassador to Korea, was on hand.

PAK Song-chol Attends Banquet

SK170501 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0424 GMT 17 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--The Central Committee of the Korean Social Democratic Party arranged a banquet Friday at the people's palace of culture for the delegation of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany headed by Manfred Gerlach, chairman of its Central Committee and vice-chairman of the State Council of the German Democratic Republic.

President at the banquet were Pak Song-chol, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and vice-president, and Yang Hyong-sop, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly.

Kim Yong-chun, vice-chairman of the KSDP Central Committee, said in his speech:

Now, the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany is powerfully organizing the entire party members in the struggle to successfully fulfill a vast new long-range plan put before the GDR people and build a developed socialist society

and waging an active struggle to stop the arms race and establish a nuclear-free, chemical-free zone in Europe for guaranteeing world peace and security.

We extend full support and firm solidarity for your party's struggle.

The Korean Social Democratic Party whose external program is independence, peace, fraternity, friendship and non-alignment will actively strive to strengthen international solidarity not only with Social Democratic parties of socialist countries but also with those in all countries of the world who love sovereignty and independence, peace and justice.

Manfred Gerlach in his speech said: At the talks which will be held in a Frank and open-hearted atmosphere we will confirm matters for joint work for the people's wellbeing and joint struggle against nuclear scourge and for peace and security.

The members of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany, together with all people of the GDR, attach great importance to the joint statement of the political parties and social organizations of the DPRK published on December 8, 1985 for peace and security on the Korean peninsula and the world.

The GDR people and working class and the members of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany, a reliable ally of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany, a Marxist-Leninist Party, will stand as ever on the side of the Korean people including the members of the KSDP fighting to defend peace, build socialism and peacefully reunify the country on a democratic basis, free from foreign interference, under the leadership of respected Comrade Kim Il-song and the Workers' Party of Korea.

The speakers emphasized that the relations between the two parties were forged and have been further expanded and developed on the basis of deep intimacy between Comrade Kim Il-song and Comrade Erich Honecker.

Vice-president PAK Song-chol met and had a friendly talk Friday at the Mansudae Assembly Hall with the delegation when it paid a courtesy call on him.

In the afternoon, the delegation visited the Central Committee of the Korean Social Democratic Party.

Meeting with Korean Social Democratic Party

SK171112 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1031 GMT 17 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--Talks were held here Saturday between the delegations of the Korean Social Democratic Party and the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany.

Present there on our side were Kim Yong-chun, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Social Democratic Party, and personages concerned.

Present on the opposite side were the members of the delegation headed by Manfred Gerlach, chairman of the Central Committee of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany and vice-chairman of the State Council of the German Democratic Republic, and an official of the GDR Embassy in Pyongyang.

The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Kim Il-song Receives Visitors

SK191036 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1016 GMT 19 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 19 (KCNA)--The great leader President Kim Il-song on May 19 received the visiting delegation of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany headed by Manfred Gerlach, chairman of its Central Committee and vice-chairman of the State Council of the German Democratic Republic.

Yang Hyong-sop, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, Kim Yong-chun, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the Social Democratic Party of Korea, and Kwon Min-chun, vice-director of a department of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, were on hand.

Present there was Karl-Heinz Kern, GDR ambassador to Korea.

President Kim Il-song conversed with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The guests presented a gift to President Kim Il-song.

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REPORTAGE ON VISIT BY BULGARIAN METALLURGICAL GROUP

Administration Council Fetes Group

SK130124 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1526 GMT 12 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 12 (KCNA)--The Administration Council of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea arranged a reception this evening at the people's palace of culture for the Bulgarian metal and geological delegation headed by Toncho Chakorov, chairman of the Bulgarian metal economic complex, which arrived today.

Present at the reception were Vice-premier Hong Si-hak, Choe Man-hyon, vice-chairman of the Commission of Metal and Machine Industries, Kim Tae-tung, vice-chairman of the Commission of Extracting Industries, and other officials concerned.

Speeches were made.

Hong Si-hak met and had a friendly talk with the delegation which paid a courtesy call on him.

Kang Song-san Meets Delegation

SK170424 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0411 GMT 17 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--Premier of the administration council Kang Song-san met and had a friendly talk Friday at the Mansudae Assembly Hall with the Bulgarian metal and geological delegation headed by Toncho Chakorov, chairman of the Bulgarian metal and economic complex.

Present on the occasion were Chong Song-nam, minister of external economic affairs, Choe Man-hyon, vice-chairman of the commission of metal and machine industries, and Vasil Khubchev, Bulgarian ambassador to Korea.

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REPORTAGE ON VISIT BY COSTA RICA PEOPLE'S PARTY DELEGATION

Kye Ung-tae Meets Group

SK161128 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1039 GMT 16 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--A delegation of the people's party of Costa Rica headed by Eduardo Mora Valverde, deputy general secretary of the party, arrived in Pyongyang today by air.

It was met at the airport by Kye Ung-tae, alternate member of the Political Bureau, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, and Han Si-hae, vice-director of a department of the WPK Central Committee.

WPK Hosts Banquet

SK170437 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0417 GMT 17 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea arranged a banquet Friday evening at Ongnyu restaurant for the delegation of the people's party of Costa Rica headed by Eduardo Mora Valverde, deputy general secretary of the party, on a visit to Korea.

Kye Ung-tae, alternate member of the Political Bureau, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, in his speech referred to the active struggle waged by the people's party of Costa Rica against the U.S. imperialists' interventionist moves and domestic reactionary forces and for the independent and democratic development of the country.

We, he said, consider that your party's line based on a correct analysis of the situation and balance of political forces in Costa Rica is very correct and extend full support to it.

Eduardo Mora Valverde in his speech said:

Costa Rican workers formed a cell in the party and decided to call it "Kim Il-song cell," praising the exploits of Comrade Kim Il-song who has recorded a long history of anti-imperialist revolutionary struggle.

The great Comrade Kim Il-song is the leader not only of the Korean people but also of the world people fighting for independence and social revolution.

The questions of principle arising in the struggle for social progress indicated by him give invincible strength to the people struggling against imperialism and for the achievement of social progress and communist construction.

Noting that the revolutionary role of the Workers' Party of Korea and the Korean people is greatly inspiring the Costa Rican people's struggle, he stated:

The People's Party of Costa Rica will in the future, too, express deepest trust and respect for the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il.

Talks Held in Friendly Atmosphere

SK171108 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1029 GMT 17 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--Talks were held in Pyongyang on May 17 between the delegations of the Workers' Party of Korea and the People's Party of Costa Rica.

Present there on our side were Kye Ung-tae, alternate member of the Political Bureau and secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, Han Si-hae, vice-director of a department of the WPK Central Committee, and other officials concerned.

Present on the opposite side were the members of the delegation led by Eduardo Mora Valverde, deputy general secretary of the People's Party of Costa Rica.

The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

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GREETINGS SENT ON CSSR FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY

Kim Il-song Greets Husak

SK131050 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1025 GMT 13 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 13 (KCNA)--Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, extended warm congratulations to Comrade Gustav Husak, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Communist Party, on the 65th anniversary of the founding of the Czechoslovak Communist Party.

In his message dated May 13 Comrade Kim Il-song says that the founding of the Czechoslovak Communist Party was a historical event which opened a new stage in the struggle of the Czechoslovak working class and people for the freedom and liberation of the people and for the victory of the cause of socialism and communism.

He says that since its founding the Czechoslovak Communist Party, leading the working class and people of Czechoslovakia, liberated the country from the yoke of the vicious fascist rule, defended the gains of the revolution in the fierce struggle against the class enemies at home and abroad and firmly established an advanced, socialist system and converted Czechoslovakia into a solid industrial state.

He says: Our party and people highly estimate the successes made by the fraternal Czechoslovak people in the revolutionary struggle and construction work under the correct leadership of the Czechoslovak Communist Party headed by Comrade Gustav Husak and warmly hail them.

He expresses the conviction that the excellent relations of friendship and cooperation between the two parties and two peoples will further expand and develop through the common struggle against imperialism and for the victory of the cause of socialism and communism.

Daily Greets Anniversary

SK140525 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0508 GMT 14 May 86

[Text] Pyongyang, May 14 (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN today carries an editorial article greeting the 65th anniversary of the founding of the Czechoslovak Communist Party.

Noting that the founding of the Czechoslovak Communist Party was an important event of weighty significance in the history and the political life of the Czechoslovak people, the article says:

The 65 years of the CCP was 65 years of struggle and change in leading the revolution and construction to victory while consolidating the party organisationally and ideologically, cementing the unity and cohesion of the party and smashing the counter-revolutionary schemes of the imperialists and domestic reactionary forces.

Socialist construction in Czechoslovakia entered a new stage of development after the April plenary meeting of the CCP Central Committee held in 1969. And the Czechoslovak Communist Party has grown to be a powerful vanguard unit with a membership of 1,700,000.

The most valuable success of the CCP greeting its 65th birthday is the growth of the party.

All the successes made in Czechoslovakia are the shining fruition of the leadership of the Czechoslovak Communist Party led by respected Comrade Gustav Husak and creative endeavours of the Communist Party members and people, the article says, and continues:

The Communist Party members and working people of Czechoslovakia significantly greeted the 17th Congress of the CCP some time ago and are accelerating the revolution and construction with confidence and hope.

The CCP is energetically struggling for peace in Europe and the world.

It vigorously struggles against the moves of the U.S.-led imperialists to plunge the world into the holocaust of nuclear war and for peace and security in Europe, in particular, to turn Central Europe into a chemical weapon-free zone.

The members of the Workers' Party and working people of Korea rejoice over the successes achieved by the fraternal Czechoslovak Communist Party members and working people under the leadership of the Czechoslovak Communist Party as over their own and express firm solidarity with their righteous struggle.

The visit of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to Czechoslovakia in 1984 and the visit of respected Comrade Gustav Husak to Korea in 1973 marked an epochal occasion in bringing the friendly and cooperative relations between the two parties and peoples to a new higher stage.

We sincerely wish the CCP members and Czechoslovak people greater success in the struggle to build a developed socialist society, upholding the decisions of the 17th Congress of the CCP.

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BRIEFS

DPRK WHO DELEGATION--Pyongyang, May 2 (KCNA)--A Korean public health delegation headed by minister of public health Yi Chong-yul left Pyongyang by plane on April 30 to attend the 39th general meeting of the World Health Organisation scheduled in Geneva. The delegation was seen off at the airport by Ministry of Labour Administration Kim Pong-ul and Vice-minister of Public Health Kim Yong-ik. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0450 GMT 2 May 86 SK] /8918

DPRK LITERATURE DELEGATION--Pyongyang, May 7 (KCNA)--A delegation of the General Federation of Unions of Literature and Arts of Korea led by Choe Yong-hwa, first vice-chairman of its Central Committee, left here on May 6 for a visit to China. The delegation of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea returned home after visiting Japan and the delegation of the foreign language press group and the friendship delegation of South Hwanghae Province returned home from China on the same day. Jacques Hakizimana, chairman of the Burundi-Korea Friendship Association, left for home on May 6. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0418 GMT 7 May 86 SK] /8918

AFRICAN, INDIAN GROUPS ARRIVE--Pyongyang, May 3 (KCNA)--Macharious Frank Chitambala, chief political adviser to the general secretary of the United National Independence Party of Zambia, a social scientists' delegation of Ferguson College, India, headed by its rector P.L. Gadgil, a delegation for the study of the chuche idea of the Lagos state branch of the Nigeria Union of Teachers arrived in Pyongyang by air on May 2. The delegation of the Korean Drama Workers Union which had visited the Soviet Union, the delegation of the Kim Chaek University of Technology which had visited China and the delegation of the grand people's study house which had visited Bulgaria returned home on the same day. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0415 GMT 3 May 86 SK] /8918

SOVIET, PRC DELEGATIONS ARRIVE--Pyongyang, May 6 (KCNA)--A delegation of scientists of the Hamhung branch of the Academy of Sciences headed by its director Yi Sung-ki and a delegation of the north Hamgyong Provincial Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by its secretary Pak Sung-sop, left yesterday respectively for China and the maritime territory of the Soviet Union. A delegation of the Central Council of the Organisation of Defence Assistance of Bulgaria headed by its Chairman Georgi Kostov, a delegation of the Soviet pictorial headed by its assistant editor-in-chief Izrail Lyadov, a Soviet movie delegation headed by Yuri Nikolski, chief of

the general planning and economic department of the State Film Committee of the Soviet Union, a delegation of the State Library of China headed by its deputy director Xie Daoyuan, a delegation of the Zeit Im Bild Publishing House of the GDR headed by its deputy director Wolfgang Keller, and a Malagasy delegation for the study of the chuche idea arrived in Pyongyang on May 5. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0417 GMT 6 May 86 SK] /8918

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION ADMITS DPRK--Pyongyang, May 6 (KCNA)--The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has been admitted to the International Maritime Organisation. Eighty-six countries, or two-thirds of the member states of the organisation, supported its admission in the vote which was carried out in accordance with a decision of the 54th session of the council of the organisation. The DPRK became member state of the organisation when its government deposited the document approving the convention of the organization with the UN Secretary General on April 16 this year according to the procedure of the entry into the organisation. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1016 GMT 6 May 86 SK] /8918

TRADE MISSION MEETS PERUVIAN PRESIDENT--Pyongyang, May 9 (KCNA)--Alan Garcia Perez, president of the Republic of Peru, on May 5 met Yi In-chun, new chief of the Korean Trade Mission in Peru. The chief conveyed regards of President Kim Il-song and Comrade Kim Chong-il to the president. President Alan Garcia Perez expressed deep thanks for this and asked the chief to transmit his cordial greetings to them. Referring to the friendly and cooperative relations between Peru and Korea, he expressed the hope that these relations would grow stronger and develop in the future. The conversation proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1002 GMT 9 May 86 SK] /8918

TANZANIAN PRIME MINISTER MEETS ENVOY--Pyongyang, May 12 (KCNA)--The government of Tanzania fully supports the proposals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the struggle of the Korean people for the country's reunification. Joseph Warioba, first vice-president and prime minister of Tanzania, declared this when he met Korean ambassador to his country Yi Yong-yon on May 7. The prime minister expressed the greatest joy over the fact that the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and dear Comrade Kim Chong-il wisely lead the revolution and construction in good health. Noting that the Tanzanian people value the successes and experience gained by Korea in agriculture, he highly estimated the successes of the Korean agricultural scientists working at the Chollima Institute of Agricultural Science in Tanzania. Pointing to the successful progress of the irrigation projects with the help of the Korean group for agro-technical cooperation in Tanzania, he extended thanks to the great leader Comrade President Kim Il-song for having shown all sorts of care for the development of agriculture in Tanzania. He asked the ambassador to transmit his heartfelt greetings to President Kim Il-song and Comrade Kim Chong-il. The conversation took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1519 GMT 12 May 86 SK] /8918

ZAMBIAN PARTY OFFICIAL VISIT--Pyongyang, May 12 (KCNA)--Hwang Chang-yop, secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, on May 11 met and had a conversation in a friendly atmosphere with Macharious Frank Chitambala, chief political adviser to the secretary-general of the United National Independence Party of Zambia. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1044 GMT 12 May 86 SK] /8918

BOTSWANA PRESIDENT MEETS ENVOY--Pyongyang, May 12 (KCNA)--Botswanan President Q.K.J. Masire met Korean ambassador to his country Kim Tong-hwa on May 2. The ambassador conveyed regards of President Kim Il-song and Comrade Kim Chong-il to President Masire. President Masire expressed deep thanks for this and asked the ambassador to forward his cordial greetings to them. Masire said Botswana and Korea were developing friendly relations, closely cooperating with each other. Today, the Korean people have achieved great successes in the political, economic, cultural and technical fields and Botswana is going to learn a lot from Korea, he said. The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1037 GMT 12 May 86 SK] /8918

PRESS COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH GDR--Pyongyang, May 13 (KCNA)--An agreement on cooperation between the foreign language press group of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Zeit Im Bild Publishing House of the German Democratic Republic was signed in Pyongyang on May 12. Present at the signing ceremony on our side were Paek Namsun, director and editor-in-chief of the foreign language press group, and officials concerned and on the opposite side were the members of the delegation of the Zeit Im Bild Publishing House of the GDR led by its Vice-director Wolfgang Keller. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1031 GMT 13 May 86 SK] /8918

POLISH WORKERS' PARTY GROUP--Pyongyang, May 13 (KCNA)--Kim Hwan, member of the Political Bureau, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, on May 12 met and conversed in a friendly atmosphere with the party workers delegation of the Polish United Workers' Party headed by Stefan Zawodzinski, chief of the Agricultural Department of the Central Committee of the Puwp. Present there were Kim Sang-myong, deputy director of a department of the WPK Central Committee, and Mieczyslaw Dedo, Polish ambassador to Korea. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0406 GMT 13 May 86 SK] /8918

GREETINGS TO MALAWIAN PRESIDENT--Pyongyang, May 13 (KCNA)--President Kim Il-song extended warm greetings to H. Kamuzu Banda, president of the Republic of Malawi, on his 80th birthday. President Kim Il-song in his message dated May 12 wished the Malawi president greater success in his work for the prosperity of the Republic of Malawi. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1030 GMT 13 May 86 SK] /8918

ENVOY TO ICELAND--Pyongyang, May 13 (KCNA)--Chon Yong-chin, newly-appointed Korean ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to the Republic of Iceland, on May 7 presented his credentials to Icelandic President Vigdis Finnbogadottir. The ambassador conveyed regards of President Kim Il-song and Comrade Kim Cong-il to President Vigdis Finnbogadottir. President Vigdis Finnbogadottir expressed deep thanks for this and asked the ambassador to forward his friendly greetings to them. Expressing satisfaction with the ever more favorable development of friendly relations between Iceland and Korea, he hoped that Korea would be reunified in a peaceful way. The conversation took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1500 GMT 13 May 86 SK] /8918

PRC FENCING GROUP--Pyongyang, May 14 (KCNA)--Vice-premier Chong Chun-ki met and had a talk in a friendly atmosphere Tuesday with the Chinese fencing

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group staying in Korea. On hand were Kim Tuk-chun, vice-chairman of the Korean Physical Culture and Sports Guidance Committee, and Zong Kewen, Chinese ambassador to Korea. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0430 GMT 14 May 86 SK] /8918

NODONG SINMUN DELEGATION--Pyongyang, May 14 (KCNA)--A NODONG SINMUN delegation headed by its editor-in-chief Yi Song-pok, left Pyongyang on May 14 by plane for a visit to the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia and the German Democratic Republic. The delegation was seen off by chairman of the DPRK Radio and TV Broadcasting Committee Chu Chang-chun, and first deputy editor-in-chief Cho Chil-nam, Soviet ambassador Nikolay Shubnikov and Yugoslav Ambassador Miodrag Bogicevic. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1014 GMT 14 May 86 SK] /8918

HUNGARIAN RED CROSS DELEGATION--Pyongyang, May 14 (KCNA)--Vice-premier Chong Chun-ki met and had a friendly talk Tuesday with the Hungarian Red Cross delegation headed by Janos Hantos, president of the Executive Committee of the Hungarian Red Cross. Present on the occasion were Yu Kyong-hui, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the DPRK Red Cross Society and president of the Academy of Medical Science, and Janos Taraba, Hungarian ambassador to Korea. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0431 GMT 14 May 86 SK] /8918

AGRICULTURAL GROUP IN TANZANIA--Pyongyang, May 15 (KCNA)--Ali Hassan Mwinyi, president of the United Republic of Tanzania, on May 9 met Om Tok-hwan, head of the delegation of the DPRK preparatory committee for joint agriculture venture. President Ali Hassan Mwinyi expressed deep thanks for the deep attention of the great President Kim Il-song and dear Comrade Kim Chong-il directed to the agricultural development of Tanzania. Tanzania with rich land and water resources will surely be able to develop her agriculture if she strengthens cooperation with Korea, he stressed. The Tanzanian Government, he said, hopes that the cause of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea would be realised without fail. A friendly atmosphere prevailed over the conversation. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1500 GMT 15 May 86 SK] /8918

MESSAGE TO ZAIRE FOREIGN MINISTER--Pyongyang, May 15 (KCNA)--Foreign Minister Kim Yong-nam sent a message of greetings to Mandungu Bula Nyati upon his appointment as a commissioner of state for foreign affairs of the Republic of Zaire. Believing that the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries would grow stronger, the message wished him success in his responsible work. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1017 GMT 15 May 86 SK] /8918

MESSAGE TO SFRY PRESIDENCY--Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--President Kim Il-song extended warm congratulations to Sinan Hasani upon his assumption of office as president of the presidency of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. In his message dated May 16 he sincerely wished the president great success in his work for further developing socialist self-management, achieving the country's prosperity on the basis of fraternity and unity among different nationalities at home, developing and strengthening the non-aligned movement and defending world peace. He expressed the belief that the friendly and cooperative relations between Korea and Yugoslavia would develop in depth in

the future in the spirit of agreement between the leaders of the two countries in Pyongyang and Belgrade. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1035 GMT 16 May 86 SK] /8918

MINISTERS MARK KPA ANNIVERSARY--Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--Vice-marshal of the Korean People's Army O Chin-u, minister of people's armed forces, received messages of greetings from the defence ministers of the Soviet Union, China, Poland, the German Democratic Republic, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Romania, Cuba, Mongolia, Vietnam, Laos, Democratic Yemen, Iran, Egypt, the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic and Mozambique on the 54th KPA founding anniversary. The messages express the belief that the friendly relations between the Korean People's Army and the armies of those countries would constantly consolidate and develop. O Chin-u sent them reply messages. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1001 GMT 16 May 86 SK] /8918

CSSR ENVOY LECTURE--Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--Czechoslovak ambassador to Korea Vaclav Herman gave a lecture Thursday at the Grand People's Study House on the 65th anniversary of the founding of the Czechoslovak Communist Party. Present there were men of social science in Pyongyang and Czechoslovak Embassy officials. After underlining the significance of the founding of the Czechoslovak Communist Party, the ambassador outlined the achievements of the Czechoslovak people in the socialist revolution and construction over the past 65 years under the leadership of the party. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1021 GMT 16 May 86 SK] /8918

KANGWON ILBO DELEGATION--Pyongyang, May 16 (KCNA)--A delegation of the Korean Journalists Union headed by Yi Hui-uk, editor-in-chief of KANGWON ILBO, left Pyongyang Thursday for a visit to China. Thongbai Thongbao, president of the Writer's Association of Thailand, arrived here on the same day. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0422 GMT 16 May 86 SK] /8918

MALAGASY PRESIDENT MEETS DPRK AMBASSADOR--Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--Malagasy President Didier Ratsiraka on May 12 met Korean ambassador to his country Chong Tae-hwa. The president expressed deep thanks to the great leader President Kim Il-song in the name of the Madagascan Government and people and in his own name for the relief materials sent to Madagascar affected by hurricane. He expressed satisfaction over the very gratifying strengthening and development of the friendly and cooperative relations between the two parties, two countries and two peoples. He said he fully supported the Korean people in their just struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country and the DPRK's proposal for the cohosting of the 24th Olympic Games by the North and the South. He sincerely wished good health and a long life to the great leader President Kim Il-song and dear Comrade Kim Chong-il. The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1015 GMT 17 May 86 SK] /8918

NORWEGIAN NATIONAL DAY--Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN and MINJU CHOSON today dedicate signed articles to the national day of Norway. Recalling that the Labour Party of Norway in its program in September last year rejected the U.S. "Star Wars" program and called for conversion of northern Europe into a nuclear-free zone, NODONG SINMUN says: The Korean people be-

lieve that the Korea-Norway friendship will develop and strengthen in the future in the interests of the two peoples. MINJU CHOSON notes: The friendly relations between the Korean and Norwegian peoples are favourably developing in accordance with their common desire for independence, friendship and peace. Believing that these relations with the Norwegian people will further develop in the future, the Korean people wish them new success in their endeavours for the prosperity of the country. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0433 GMT 17 May 86 SK] /8918

DELEGATIONS DEPART, RETURN--Pyongyang, May 17 (KCNA)--A delegation of the Bulgaria-Korea Friendship Association headed by Ivan Solakov, its vice-chairman and vice-minister of national education, arrived in Pyongyang Friday. Returning home on the same day were the Korean public health delegation headed by Minister of Public Health Yi Chong-yul which had attended the 39th general meeting of the World Health Organization, the Korean Foreign Ministry delegation headed by Vice-minister Chon Chae-hong which had visited Cuba, Mexico, Nicaragua and Guyana, the delegation of the Korean Committee of anti-imperialist veteran fighters headed by its Chairman Colonel General of the Korean People's Army Chon Mun-uk which had visited the Soviet Union and Bulgaria and the Korean team which had participated in the third Asian clay pigeon shooting championship. Meanwhile, Chon Chin-sik, chairman of the Santama Society of Traders and Industrialists of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan (Chongnyon), and his group left Pyongyang after visiting the socialist homeland. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0414 GMT 17 May 86 SK] /8918

BULGARIAN, NICARAGUAN DELEGATIONS--Pyongyang, May 18 (KCNA)--The Bulgarian metal and geological delegation headed by Toncho Chakurov, chairman of the Bulgarian metal economic complex, left here Saturday by plane. A delegation for the study of the chuche idea of the Managua National Autonomous University of Nicaragua headed by its Vice-rector William Genet Barberena arrived in Pyongyang on May 16. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0844 GMT 18 May 86 SK] /8918

GREETINGS TO INDIAN FOREIGN MINISTER--Pyongyang, May 1 (KCNA)--Vice-premier and Foreign Minister Kim Yong-nam extended greetings to Shiv Shankar upon the latter's assumption of heavy responsibility as minister for external affairs of India. In his message he expressed his belief that the friendly and co-operative relations between the two countries would grow in strength and develop in conformity with the idea of independence, friendship, non-alignment and peace. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0832 GMT 18 May 86 SK] /8918

FILM SHOW IN CUBA--Pyongyang, May 18 (KCNA)--A film show was held on May 15 in the building of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba [CPC]. Screened there were the Korean documentary film "Korean visit of a party and government delegation of the Republic of Cuba headed by Comrade Fidel Castro Ruz" and the Cuban documentary film "two places of victory" which records the Korean visit by Comrade Fidel Castro Ruz. Present there were Carlos Rafael Rodriguez Rodriguez, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba, vice-president of the Council of State and vice-president of the council of ministers of the Republic of Cuba,

Jorge Valdes Risquet, member of the Political Bureau, and member of the secretariat, of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba, and many other officials of the CPC Central Committee. Korean ambassador to Cuba Pak Yong-se and his embassy officials were invited. The films deeply impressed the attendants. The film show was followed by a cocktail party. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0849 GMT 18 May 86 SK] /8918

HUNGARY'S SZUROS IN PYONGYANG--Pyongyang, May 19 (KCNA)--Matyas Szuros, secretary of the Central Committee of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party, and his group arrived in Pyongyang on May 19 by air. They were met at the airport by Hwang Chang-yop, secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, Han Si-hae, vice-director of a department of the WPK Central Committee, and Janos Taraba, Hungarian ambassador to Korea. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English GMT May 86 SK] /8918

GREETINGS TO YUGOSLAV LEADING CADRES--Pyongyang, May 19 (KCNA)--Kang Song-san, premier of the Administration Council, sent a message of greetings to Branko Mikulic upon his election as president of the Federal Executive Council of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. The message expressed the belief that the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries would constantly develop in strength in the future, too, and sincerely wished him great success in his responsible work for the economic stability of the country and socialist development. Meanwhile, Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Yong-nam sent a message of greetings to Raif Dizdarevic upon his reappointment as federal secretary for foreign affairs and Yang Hyong-sop, chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, to Ivo Vrandecic upon his election as president of the Federal Assembly. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0513 GMT 19 May 86 SK] /8918

KIM IL-SONG CABLE TO CAMEROON--Pyongyang, May 19 (KCNA)--President Kim Il-song extended warm felicitations to Cameroonian President Paul Biya on the 14th anniversary of the National Day. In the message on May 17 President Kim Il-song said the Korean people were glad at the enormous successes registered by the Cameroonian people in the work for strengthening national unity and building a new prosperous society under the leadership of President Paul Biya. He expressed the belief that the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries would further develop. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1013 GMT 19 May 86 SK] /8918

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DAILY DENOUNCES JAPAN'S DIPLOMACY TOWARDS MIDDLE EAST

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[Text] Pyongyang, May 15. (KCNA)--MINJU CHOSON today, commenting on the babbling of the reactionary rulers of Japan that Japan should maintain her Middle East diplomacy in disregard of the "anti-terror statement" adopted at the Tokyo summit of Western countries, says that it discloses their crafty nature in all nakedness.

Noting that the Middle East countries are vehemently denouncing Nakasone as a faithful accomplice and promoter in working out the "anti-terror statement," the author of the commentary says:

Even before the ink of their signature to the "anti-terror statement" was dry the reactionary rulers of Japan made sheeps eye at the Middle East countries, prattling that the Middle East diplomacy should be "maintained" and Japan's "policy" toward the Middle East has not changed. How brazen-faced this is!

If the Middle East countries, indignant at the wicked behavior of Nakasone prohibit export of oil to Japan, the Japanese economy which depends upon this region for 75 percent of its oil import will go bankrupt.

Although the Japanese reactionaries are behaving as if they would maintain independence in politics, there can be no change in their policy of kowtowing to the U.S. imperialists as their subordinate ally.

The peoples of Middle East countries should watch every move of theirs, maintaining heightened vigilance against the crafty tricks of Nakasone.

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